

**ORDINANCE 2019-09**

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE FRANCHISE FEE TO BE PAID BY CEBRIDGE ACQUISITION, L.P., d/b/a/ SUDDENLINK COMMUNICATIONS PROVIDING CABLE, VIDEO AND TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GASSVILLE, ARKANSAS UNDER A STATE – GRANTED FRANCHISE AUTHORITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of the Arkansas Video Service Act of 2013, codified at A.C.A. § 23-19-201, et seq, any person or entity desiring to provide cable, video or telecommunication services within the City of Gassville may do so by obtaining a state-issued certificate of franchise authority;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of A.C.A. § 23-19-206, the holder of a state-issued certificate of franchise authority for cable, video or telecommunication service is required to pay a franchise fee to a municipality in which it operates upon the passage of an ordinance by municipality setting such a fee; and

**WHEREAS**, Cebridge Acquisition, L.P., d/b/a Suddenlink operates cable, video and telecommunication services within the City of Gassville corporate limits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GASSVILLE, ARKANSAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That all persons or entities providing cable or video services to the citizens of the City of Gassville pursuant to a state-issued certificate of franchise authority as provided in A.C.A. § 23-19-201 et seq. shall, pursuant to the provisions of A.C.A. § 23-19-206, pay the City of Gassville a franchise fee equal to (five) 5 % of the cable, video and telecommunication service provider's gross revenues, as that term is defined by A.C.A. § 23-19-206, derived from operations within the City of Gassville corporate limits.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, except those approving any cable, video or telecommunication franchise agreement in force and effect between the City of Gassville and any cable, video or telecommunication service provider.

This Ordinance adopted this 17<sup>th</sup>, day of December, 2019. J.B.  
J.L.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

  
JEFF BRAIM, MAYOR



  
JEFF LEWIS, REC./TREASURER